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HAER No. CA-210

Central Pacific Transcontinental Railroad, Tunnel 37  
Southern Pacific Donner Pass Route Tunnels  
Milcpost 177.79  
Yuba Pass vicinity  
Nevada County  
California

For written information regarding Tunnel 37, please refer to Central Pacific Transcontinental Railroad (HAER No. CA-196). Note also that all references to tunnel portals are given in Southern Pacific Railroad terminology. Headquartered in San Francisco, the SP considered all trains heading *away* from San Francisco to be eastbound, all trains heading *toward* San Francisco to be westbound, regardless of actual cardinal direction. Thus a train heading north from Los Angeles to Portland would be westbound until it passed San Francisco, at which time it would become eastbound. Similarly, the railroad referred to all tunnels and other structures along its lines in the same fashion, with tunnels always having west and east portals. Direction of view in the captions will indicate cardinal direction.

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### PHOTOGRAPHS

CA-210-1 West portal of Tunnel 37, contextual view to east-southeast, 135mm lens.

CA-210-2 West portal of Tunnel 37 view to east-southeast, 135mm lens. Note the notched wingwalls that would have originally held timber posts of the original timber snowsheds, miles of which once enclosed and protected the railroad from the ravages of Sierra winters. Note also that these tunnels, built in the 1920s, have dispensed with any use of stone masonry, and instead have all-concrete portals, though this tunnel retains the use of rubble granite slab slope protection flanking the portal.

CA-210-3 Prefabricated concrete snowshed at east end of Tunnel 37, view to west-northwest, 135mm lens.